

Abstract of the Disclosure

An apparatus and method detecting a fashion disc, which can detect fashion discs having various shapes as well as standard discs having a diameter of 12 cm and prevent instability when reproducing the fashion discs. The method includes (a) detecting the size of an optical disc inserted in an optical disc drive by sensing the weight of the optical disc and driving the optical disc drive; (b) determining the size of the optical disc by detecting an amount of data recorded on the optical disc from a lead-in area of the optical disc; (c) if the amount of data recorded on the optical disc is below a reference value, moving a pickup to a periphery area and measuring a focus error; and (d) if the measured focus error is above a constant value, detecting the optical disc as a certain optical disc and limiting the operational speed level of the optical disc drive.